## BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF PRODCO

INC., PETITIONER, TO COMPEL

WESTSTAR EXPLORATION COMPANY,

RESPONDENT, TO ACCOUNT FOR AND

PAY ROYALTIES IN ACCORDANCE

WITH THE PETITIONERS' INTEREST IN

PRODUCTION FROM THE RAGING BULL FED. #1 WELL, LOCATED IN

SECTION 26, IN TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH,

RANGE 24 EAST, UINTAH COUNTY,

UTAH.

JUN 17 2011 SECRETARY, BOARD OF OIL, GAS & MINING

ORDER OF REFERRAL

Docket No. 2011-009 Cause No. 179-16

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The foregoing Request for Agency Action was filed by PRODCO requesting *inter alia* that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining refer PRODCO's claim against WestStar Exploration Company for unpaid royalties to the Division for investigation and negotiations pursuant to Utah Code § 40-6-9 (2011), and that the Board thereafter take such action as appropriate.

The matter was properly noticed as required by R641-106, Utah Admin. Code (2011) for Board action at the regularly scheduled hearing on May 25, 2011. The Division appeared through Mr. Clinton Dworshak, environmental specialist, and was represented by Mr. Steve Alder, Assistant Attorney General. Mr. Garr R. Roberts a principal of PRODCO was present but did not make any statement. No one appeared in opposition although a letter from Larry R. Williams as attorney for WestStar Exploration Company was received by the Division in Salt Lake City on May 25, 2011, but this letter was not timely presented to the Board and neither the Division or the Board was aware of the letter until after the Board hearing.

Now therefore, the Board being fully advised and good cause appearing, the claim of PRODCO for unpaid royalties due from WestStar Exploration Company is referred to the Division

to conduct an investigation and to engage the parties in negotiations pursuant to Utah code § 40-6-9 and to report the results of its investigations and negotiations to the Board at the regularly scheduled hearing on July 27, 2011.

DATED this 17 day of June, 2011.

STATE OF UTAH BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING James T. Jensen, Chairman

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